



City of Mountain View Newsletter

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New Senior Center Breaks Ground

Construction began in July on a new 25,000 sq. ft., single-story, lodge-style Senior Center in Mountain View. It will be constructed on the same site as the old Senior Center at 266 Escuela Avenue. The new building will feature a social hall that can provide banquet-style seating for up to 200 people, full kitchen, game room, exercise room, computer room, and multi-purpose rooms for classes and other activities.

The old Senior Center building was demolished because of significant seismic and mechanical systems problems. An interim Senior Center facility has been operating since November 2003 to provide a full range of programs and services, including the noontime senior nutrition program, to Mountain View’s seniors.

While construction of the new Senior Center is underway, visitors to the interim Senior Center and the nearby Avenidas Rose Kleiner Senior Day Health Center will continue to have access to both facilities.

The new Senior Center is scheduled to open in December 2006.

For more information about the new Senior Center, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311.

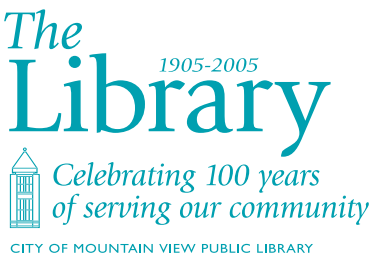
Library Celebrates 100th Birthday September 24

The Mountain View Public Library celebrates 100 years of service to the community with a daylong birthday party on Saturday, September 24 in Pioneer Park. The Library’s centennial birthday celebration begins at 10:00 a.m. and will include family entertainment, live music and a reunion of children young and grown who have attended the Library’s story times.

A crabapple tree will be planted in Pioneer Park to commemorate the tree that stood in front of the City’s old Library building.

The community is encouraged to record their memories of the Mountain View Library in a scrapbook that will be housed in the Library’s History Center. Submissions to the memory book may be made in person or online at the Library’s website: <http://library.ci.mtnview.ca.us>.

For more information about the Library’s upcoming birthday celebration, call the Reference Desk at (650) 903-6337.



Reading Day at the Library November 19

The Library celebrates Reading Day on Saturday, November 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Mountain View Public Library is located at 585 Franklin Street.

Reading Day features librarians, firefighters, students and Readeroo, the Library’s mascot, reading aloud to children in English, Chinese, Japanese and Spanish at special reading stations throughout the Library. In addition, there will be magic and music, clowns making balloon animals, and special reading-related arts

and crafts. All events are free of charge.

A book fair to benefit the Mountain View Library Foundation will run in conjunction with Reading Day, offering discounted popular books and gifts.

For more information, call the Library at (650) 903-6337 or visit the Library’s website at <http://library.ci.mtnview.ca.us>.

New Senior Day Health Center Opens

A new day health facility for seniors opens this fall at 270 Escuela Avenue, next to the Mountain View Senior Center. The Avenidas Rose Kleiner Senior Day Health Center is being constructed by Avenidas, a nonprofit organization providing senior services.

The facility will operate under a 40-year lease with the City, with all operating costs borne by Avenidas. The new facility will be separate from the Mountain View Senior Center and offer daytime health, therapeutic, recreational, and support services for less-independent seniors, while providing their family caregivers respite. These services will complement those provided next door by the Senior Center.

A team comprised of a social worker, nurse, activity program specialist, and physical, speech and occupational therapists consults with physicians to develop and carry out an individualized care plan and prescriptive order for each participant. Transportation and a hot lunch are provided with the program.

The new health center is intended to serve residents in Mountain View, Los Altos and Palo Alto. The Center will serve enrolled participants five days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Flexible scheduling enables enrollment for two to five days per week.

Participants will pay for the day health services on a sliding scale, depending on financial resources.

For more information, call Avenidas at (650) 494-8018.

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THE VIEW

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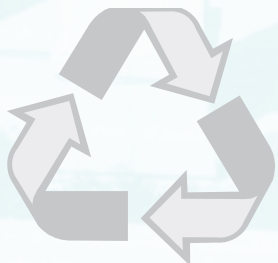
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City Mission Statement

The City of Mountain View provides quality services and facilities that meet the needs of a caring and diverse community in a financially responsible manner.



Highway 101 Improvements Update


Work continues on the \$142-million project by the Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and Caltrans to make improvements to Highway 101 between Moffett and Shoreline Boulevards. The project affects four major interchanges in Mountain View.

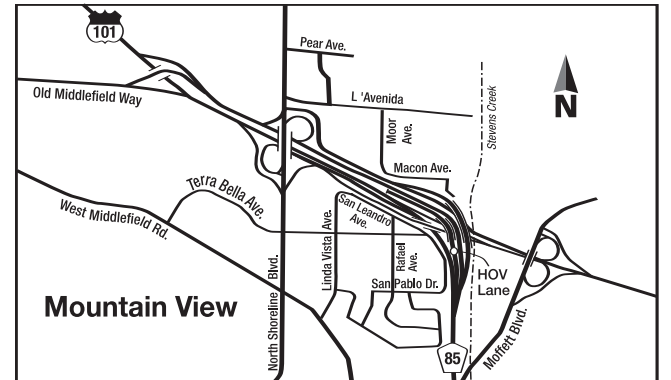
The project includes new ramps at the Moffett Boulevard interchange; a new bridge and ramps at the Old Middlefield Way interchange; new ramps at the Shoreline Boulevard interchange; and new and additional ramps at the Route 85 interchange. The project also includes a new City street connecting Pear Avenue and La Avenida, as well as extensive new landscaping.

Recently, several phases of the project have been completed, and others are now underway.

- New ramps from northbound Shoreline to Route 85 and Highway 101 are complete and open.
- San Leandro Avenue has been repaved and reconnected to Terra Bella Avenue and the road is open.
- Work on the connector road between La Avenida and Pear Street is underway.
- Work is underway on the commuter lane direct connector from Route 85 to Highway 101, and the connector from the mixed flow lanes of Route 85 to Highway 101.

The project is scheduled for completion in 2006.

The City is working with the VTA to help mitigate the impacts of the construction on motorists and residents. The VTA provides commuters and residents with construction updates through radio announcements, notices to affected businesses and property owners, roadway signs, and information on their web site at www.vta.org. Information is also available by calling the Mountain View Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311. 



Neighborhood Helps Plan New Evandale Area Park

Residents of the City's Evandale neighborhood met twice this summer with the Parks and Recreation Commission and City staff to help develop the design for a new half-acre mini-park that will be located at 62 Devonshire Avenue. The new Devonshire Park will include a children's play area, turf and landscaped open space. The design is also intended to reduce potential impacts on residents who live adjacent to the park.

The first workshop meeting in June brought residents together with City officials and staff to gather local input and ideas about how the park should be designed. A second workshop in July gave community members a chance to review and comment on alternative conceptual designs that had been created to incorporate their ideas.

Construction is slated to begin in April 2006 and the park is expected to be complete by fall 2006.

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311. 

Mayfield Site Redevelopment

Public hearings on the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed redevelopment of the former Mayfield Mall site at the corner of Central Expressway and San Antonio Road are scheduled to begin later this fall. The EIR will address many of the questions and issues about traffic, noise, air quality, public service and school impacts that the public raised in community meetings concerning development on the site.

The developer has proposed building approximately 580 new housing units on the 24-acre site, including small-lot single-family houses and condominiums. Of those, 530 would be in Mountain View. The EIR will also evaluate two alternative development scenarios approved by the City Council earlier this year—one with less housing and one with more housing—as well as keeping the zoning as it is now allowing only office and industrial uses.

In addition to holding hearings on the EIR, the Environmental Planning Commission will review a new Precise Plan that is tailored to housing, with possibly some retail. The City Council will consider the EIR and Precise Plan in 2006.

For more information, call the Community Development Department at (650) 903-6306. 

California/Bryant Parking Structure Set for Construction

Construction will begin this fall on a new parking structure at the northeast corner of California Street and Bryant Street. Construction of the structure is scheduled for completion in late 2006.

The four-story, five-level structure will include approximately 400 parking spaces, and house a Longs Drugs in the first floor retail area of the structure. In July, the City Council approved Longs as the retail tenant in the parking structure.

Nine large panes of colored glass will be installed at the second through fourth levels of the California/Bryant corner of the structure as the public art component to the project.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311. 

Fiscal Year 2005-06 Utility Rates

New rates for City utility services went into effect on July 1, 2005. The average monthly increase for a single family home will be approximately \$2.55. Even with the rate increases, the City’s average monthly utility bill for a single-family home still compares favorably with surrounding communities.

Water

Water rates for Mountain View customers did not change this year. Although there will be no change in water rates this year, there will likely be rate increases in the future as the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, one of the City’s two main water suppliers, increases the rates it charges to the City to pay for the significant seismic and other costly improvements needed to upgrade the Hetch-Hetchy water delivery system.

Previous water rate increases have successfully positioned the City and its Water Fund to invest in system improvements, including the expansion of the Miramonte Reservoir, the construction of the new Graham Reservoir (see article on right) and the construction of new water well and pump stations. These improvements will significantly increase the City’s water storage capacity and supply for peak demand and ensure adequate water supplies for emergencies.

Sewer

The rate for residential sewer services for a single-family in Mountain View will increase \$1.70 (approximately 10 percent) to \$18.65 per month. This rate is still the lowest of our neighboring cities.

Sewer rates cover the cost of preventing pollution of the San Francisco Bay through wastewater collection, system maintenance and treatment and discharge of clean, treated water into the Bay. Pollution prevention efforts supported by sewer rates have resulted in significant improvements in the water quality of the Bay, enhancing its ability to serve not only as a habitat for diverse communities of plants and animals, but also a recreation and aesthetic asset for the region.

In recent years, revenues from sewer service charges have not been sufficient to cover the annual operating and maintenance costs of the City’s sewer system. The City will be phasing in higher sewer rates over the next three years to being revenues and expenditures more in line and to provide adequate funding for both the City’s annual operating and maintenance costs for the sewer system.

Refuse/Recycling

The City’s rates for solid waste services (both refuse collection and recycling) are increasing 6 percent to pay for higher costs associated with the City’s contract with Foothill Disposal for refuse and recycling collection and increased operating costs at the SMaRT® Station, where the City’s refuse is taken, recycled and sorted prior to final disposal. The monthly rate for a 32-gallon can will increase by \$0.85 to \$15.00 per month.

Previous solid waste rate increases have allowed the City to automate its refuse and recycling collections; provide residents with wheeled toters that make the containers easier to get to the curb for pickup; divided recycling carts that keep recyclables separate, resulting in better resale values; and other recycling, reuse, composting and waste reduction programs that have allowed the City to continue diverting more than 51 percent of its garbage from the landfill.

The City of Mountain View will continue to do its best to provide high-quality and cost-effective utility services to its customers.

For more information, call the Finance and Administrative Services Department at (650) 903-6317. 


Work on New Graham Reservoir Moves Ahead

Work continues on the construction of an 8-million gallon reservoir beneath playing fields at Graham Middle School. The new reservoir is a joint project of the City of Mountain View and the Mountain View-Whisman School District.

The purpose of the project is to provide additional water storage for the City, while improving the playing fields and field maintenance on the school site. The playing fields will be used by students during the day and by the community as after-hour sports fields on nights and weekends.


The joint agreement calls for the City to construct and maintain the completely buried reservoir, and construct and care for the playing fields located above the reservoir. The reservoir will include a groundwater well, pump station, pipes and other infrastructure to support the reservoir and well. The renovated athletic fields will include an all-weather regulation track and field, a soccer/football field, a soccer field, a baseball/softball field, and basketball and volleyball courts. A restroom and equipment storage room are also included in the project.

Construction of the reservoir tank is scheduled to be completed this winter. Contracts were awarded recently for the construction of a pipeline, well, and pump station for the project. Construction of the play fields should begin in January and the entire project should be complete by fall 2006.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311. 

City Golf Tournament September 24-25

Shoreline Golf Links hosts the 5th Annual Mountain View City Championship the on September 24 and 25. The Mountain View City Championship is open to any amateur golfer. In addition to the Championship divisions, there are handicap divisions for men, women and senior men.

The deadline for entries is 5:00 p.m., Friday, September 16. The entry fee for the event is \$135. This includes green fees for two rounds of golf, range balls, tee prize and prize fund. For more information, call Shoreline Golf Links at (650) 903-4653. 



Fiscal Year 2005-06 Adopted Budget

The Mountain View City Council adopted a \$193.8 million Fiscal Year (FY) 2005-06 budget in June. The adopted budget is fully balanced and does not rely on one-time revenues, short-term expenditure savings or the use of reserved balances to fund the City’s ongoing operations.

The adopted City budget includes a \$75.5 million General Operating Fund. The General Operating Fund is the primary funding source for most of the general services the City provides to residents and is the portion of the budget that has faced the greatest financial challenges during the past three fiscal years.

The General Operating Fund includes the net elimination of 4.25 full time equivalent (FTE) positions. A net total of 54.5 FTE positions have been eliminated from the City’s General Operating Fund, and 66.25 positions Citywide, during the last four budget cycles.


Economic forecasts for FY 2005-06 appear to present the first indications of positive change for the City’s General Operating Fund, following several years of declining revenues and difficult

budget reductions. Slight growth in revenues is projected for FY 2005-06.

Although the health of City revenues is improving, the City must continue to carefully manage expenditure growth to maintain balanced budgets in the future.

The adopted budget also includes \$25.1 million for funding of capital improvements and maintenance projects, some of which are listed below:

- **Graham Reservoir/playfield construction** (see article on top right column of this page)
- **Child-care Center**
- **Shoreline Lake water supply construction**
- **Construction of the Permanente Creek pedestrian/bicycle overcrossing at Highway 101**
- **Miscellaneous storm/sanitary sewer main replacement**
- **Downtown revitalization improvements**

For more information, call the Finance and Administrative Services Department at (650) 903-6316. 



Plan an Event at the Adobe Building

The City’s historic Adobe Building, located on the corner of Central Expressway and Moffett Boulevard, can be rented for a variety of events, including parties, weddings, and corporate meetings.

The Adobe Building has a modern catering kitchen, office and great room that can accommodate 100 people for indoor dining or 210 for assembly style meetings, as well as an adjacent garden that complements the setting. The interior of the great room has been kept in its original style with high open-trusses, hand-hewn lumber, wrought iron detail and a fireplace. A built-in sound system is also available.

The Adobe Building was constructed in 1934 as a Works Progress Administration (WPA) project and restored by the City in 2001. The building was named to the National Register of Historic Places in 2003.

To tour the Adobe Building or find out about reservations, contact the City’s Community Services Department at (650) 903-6407. [V](#)

Fire Stations Now Safely Surrendered Baby Sites



This spring, Mountain View fire stations began posting the uniform “Safely Surrendered Baby Site” signs adopted by the State of California to indicate a location where a parent or legal guardian can leave an unwanted infant. The law allows someone to confidentially surrender an infant within 72 hours of its birth to an employee at any hospital emergency room or other designated site, which now includes City fire stations.

As long as the baby has not been abused or neglected, the person may surrender the baby without fear of arrest or prosecution for child abandonment. The law provides for a 14-day cooling-off period, during which the surrendering parent may reclaim the infant from the hospital or County Health Department.

Fire personnel have been trained to accept custody of surrendered babies. Parents or guardians surrendering their infants will not be required to give their names, but they are asked to complete a medical history questionnaire. For questions about the law, visit the Santa Clara County website at: www.sccgov.org. [V](#)

Cuesta Park Voted 2005 Family Favorite

Cuesta Park has been recognized with a 2005 Family Favorite Award from Bay Area Parent Magazine. The magazine noted the wide variety of amenities available at Cuesta Park—a children’s playground, barbecue facilities, picnic areas, restrooms, sports areas and a summer concert series—in its announcement of the award.



CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW CITY BOARD, COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS

September 16, 2005 is the application deadline for Mountain View citizens wishing to serve on one of the following City board, commissions or committees:

- **LIBRARY BOARD** (1 position)
(Meets on the third Monday evening of the month)
- **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING COMMISSION** (2 positions)
(Meets on the first and third Wednesday evenings of the month)
- **HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION** (1 position)
(Meets on the first Thursday evening of the month)
- **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION** (3 positions)
(Meets on the second Wednesday evening of the month)
- **DOWNTOWN COMMITTEE** (2 positions)
(Meets on the first Tuesday morning bimonthly)
- **VISUAL ARTS COMMITTEE** (1 position)
(Meets on the second Wednesday evening of the month)

There may be incumbents who wish to be reappointed.
The board, commissions and committees are volunteer positions and members serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council.
Appointments are available on an equal opportunity basis.
Call the City Clerk’s Office at (650) 903-6304 for further information and applications.

All Stars After-School Program Expands

The All Stars after-school program was expanded to include two additional Mountain View elementary schools this spring with additional funding from the City of Mountain View. The program is now available at five elementary schools sites in Mountain View—Castro, Landels, Theuerkauf, Monta Loma and Slater.
The All Stars program provides homework help and recreation activities for more than two dozen third through fifth grade participants at each site. The program operates Monday through Friday from the end of school until 5:00 p.m. School district funding pays for a teacher to assist students with homework and provide in-kind support through facility maintenance and operation. City funds pay for the Recreation Leaders that supervise the programs and lead a variety of games, crafts, field trips, and skill-building activities.
For more information about the All Stars after-school program, call the Community Services Department’s Recreation Division at (650) 903-6331. [V](#)

MOUNTAIN VIEW CITYGRAM

QUESTIONS? SUGGESTIONS? CONCERNS? KUDOS?

How are we doing? Feedback from you is very important to us. Curious about a City service or program? Have an idea you’d like to share? Know a City employee who did a particularly good job? The City Manager’s Office would like to hear from you. Send your remarks on a Citygram and you will receive a prompt response from the appropriate City department. Thank you for your comments.

Send your comments to the Mountain View City Manager’s Office, Post Office Box 7540, Mountain View, CA 94039

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ Zip Code _____

Daytime phone (____) _____

I would like a reply: ☐ by telephone ☐ by mail ☐ no reply necessary

For City Staff use:



Construction of Efficiency Studios Underway

Construction of San Antonio Place, the efficiency studios housing project planned for the San Antonio loop area is underway and is expected to be complete by this January. The 120-unit project is designed to provide low-cost housing for low-income residents and seniors on fixed incomes, and is located next to the Community School of Music and Arts at 210 San Antonio Circle.

Funding for the project came from a number of different sources, including State funds and Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME program funds the City allocated to the project.

Each of the 120 efficiency studio units will be affordable to low-wage workers, seniors on fixed incomes, and other residents who earn between 15 to 45 percent of the County annual median income. The studio apartments will be approximately 300 sq. ft. and augmented by common facilities such as a community room and library/computer room.

Charities Housing, the non-profit developer of San Antonio Place, is establishing a list of interested renters and will notify those on the list when applications are available. Application materials are expected to become available sometime in September.

Persons who have lived in Mountain View for at least six months or worked in the City for at least one year will be given preference in renting units. To be placed on the interest list, call Charities Housing at (408) 282-1133 and leave your first and last name, mailing address, and a contact telephone number, or send an email with the same information to vcooper@charitieshousing.org.

To follow the progress of the efficiency studios housing project, log on to the Charities Housing website at www.charitieshousing.org.

City Recognized for Affordable Housing Efforts

The State Workforce Housing Awards Program has awarded the City of Mountain View \$205,000 in recognition of the City's efforts to build affordable housing for low and very-low income households.

The grant funds can be used for any local capital improvement project. The City will use the grant money to complete playground renovations at Gemello and Landels Parks, and help fund the next reach of the Stevens Creek Trail.

Mountain View was only one of two cities in Santa Clara County and 36 cities in the State to receive this special recognition.

For more information regarding this grant award, contact the Community Development Department at (650) 903-6306.

Actions and Accomplishments

March 2005 – August 2005

In addition to stories covered in this issue of *The View*, here is a listing of some of the City's other recent actions and accomplishments.

- Utilized an investment from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation to move forward with a plan to establish a child-care center in Rengstorff Park adjacent to the existing Community Center.
- Entered into a joint powers agreement with local school districts to provide funding from the Shoreline Regional Park Community Fund to support technology education.
- Initiated a study of affordable housing strategies the City may wish to undertake.
- Entered into a design services contract for the new Permanente Creek pedestrian/bicycle overcrossing of Highway 101.
- Implemented a local tax incentive program to preserve historic resources in the City.
- Adopted design guidelines and Zoning Ordinance amendments for row house developments.
- Adopted criteria to consider when General Plan and rezoning applications are submitted to convert industrial land to residential use.
- Began work on a Recreation Strategic Plan.
- Authorized additional funding for playground improvements at Bubb Park.

If you would like to know more about these topics or share your thoughts about them, the City of Mountain View would like to hear from you. Please contact the City by using the Citygram form included on page 4 or call (650) 903-6300.

City Awarded Grant to Expand Use of Recycled Water

The State of California has awarded the City of Mountain View a \$3.8 million grant to pay for a portion of the design and construction costs associated for a new recycled water landscape irrigation system the City is building in conjunction with the Palo Alto Regional Water Quality Control Plant (RWQCP).

The irrigation system should be in operation by October 2007 and will provide the City's North Bayshore Area with a low-cost and drought-proof source of water for irrigation needs, significantly reducing the amount of costly potable water currently being used for irrigation purposes there.

For more information, call the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311.

Stevens Creek Trail Receives Water District Grant

The Santa Clara Valley Water District has awarded the City \$264,000 from the Clean, Safe Creeks and Natural Flood Protection Program to help pay for the for the extension of the Stevens Creek Trail from Yuba Drive to the south side of El Camino Real.

The Clean, Safe Creeks and Natural Flood Protection Program provides funds for the development of and improved public access to trails, parks and open space for recreational purposes.

For more information regarding the Stevens Creek Trail or the grant award, contact the Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311.



City Works with ALZA to Save Energy and Money

The City of Mountain View and ALZA Corporation are working together to construct a landfill gas-to-energy system at ALZA's North Bayshore area facilities. Under an agreement with the City, ALZA will use gas that is generated from closed City landfills as a source of fuel for several new electric generators the company is installing.

ALZA will begin purchasing gas from the City late this year to provide electricity at three sites. According to ALZA, on-site generators will produce 85% of the electricity and hot water used at ALZA's six largest buildings in Mountain View. The project, which was funded by ALZA, is expected to help reduce the production of carbon dioxide by more than 22 million pounds each year.

For more information regarding this project, contact the City's Public Works Department at (650) 903-6311.




Library Teen Zone Offers a Variety of Programs

The Mountain View Public Library’s Teen Zone, a special area of the Mountain View Library set aside for teens, offers a wide range of books, DVDs, CDs and activities of interest to young people.

This summer, more than 200 teens set individual reading goals as part of the Joust Read Summer Reading Program. Several dozen young people also signed up to create scrapbook journals and others explored different types of games as part of programs offered through the Teen Zone. In addition, the Knit and Crochet Club began meeting in the Teen Zone on Friday afternoons, bringing together experts and novices alike ranging in age from eight years old to adult.

Each of these Teen Zone activities is supervised by community volunteer mentors who devote their time and talent to bringing new ideas, opportunities and skills to local young people. Some of the programs offered during the summer will continue in the school year, and additional programs and services will be added in the Teen Zone.

Librarians are also available in the Teen Zone to share ideas about books to read and to help students find information for school projects. Librarians also facilitate the Booktalkers book group and Teen Advisory Group programs during the school year.


For more information about the Teen Zone, call the Library at (650) 903-6337 or visit the Library’s website at <http://library.ci.mtnview.ca.us>. 

Mountain View Mediation Services Celebrates 30 Years

Mountain View Mediation Services is celebrating 30 years of service to the community this September. Established in 1975, the Mediation Program is one of the oldest and most successful in California, handling an average of 900 calls and 235 cases annually.

The Mediation Program was originally limited to tenant/landlord disputes, but now includes neighborhood, consumer, workplace, and person-to-person issues. Mountain View Mediation Services provides mediation, conciliation and counseling services as well as tenant/landlord information and referral. All services are free of charge and confidential. Mediations can usually be scheduled within a week, providing the parties with a quick resolution to the issue at hand.

Mediation services are provided by volunteer mediators, a skilled group of community volunteers trained in mediation. Cases that go to mediation are resolved more than 70 percent of the time. In 95 percent of the mediated cases, the parties comply with the terms of their agreement.

If you would like to learn more about Mountain View Mediation Services, call (650) 960-0495. 

CONNECTING *with your* COMMUNITY

The City of Mountain View’s Volunteer Services Program gives you the opportunity to turn your special talents and abilities into positive action. For more information, call Rae Blasquez, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, at (650) 903-6607 or go to the City website at www.ci.mtnview.ca.us to download a volunteer application.

Current Volunteer Opportunities

Mailing & News Clipping Team—Volunteers are needed for bulk mailings, assembling packets, collating printed materials and clipping newspaper articles. Once the projects are scheduled, the Team is called in to complete the project. News clipping is Mondays and Wednesdays, mornings or afternoons. For more information, call the Volunteer Services Office at (650) 903-6607 or email rae.blasquez@moutainview.gov.

Deer Hollow Farm—Teaching Docents—Volunteers are needed for the Fall/Winter/ Spring school year. Training is provided. For more information, call Deer Hollow Farm at (650) 903-6430.



Police Department—Alarm Program Assistant—Assist with the administration of the residential and commercial alarm permitting process and enforcement of false alarms. General computer knowledge and a four-hour per week commitment are necessary. For more information, call CSO Kala Thrower at (650) 903-6186 or email kala.thrower@ci.mtnview.ca.us.

Police Department—Mobile Radar Trailer Deployment—Volunteers are needed to set up and pick up the Police Department’s radar trailers around the community. Training is provided. For more information, call Don Palermo at (650) 903-6749.

Fire Department—CERT—Volunteers are needed to assist with coordinating and conducting Community Emergency Response Team training for the community. Volunteers are also needed to assist with creating new display boards and organizing public education materials and special projects. For more information, call the Volunteer Services Office at (650) 903-6607.

Shoreline at Mountain View Park—Rangers and Docents—You must be 18 for the following positions:

- **Rengstorff House Docents**—Greet visitors, answer questions and conduct guided tours of the House that explore the early history of Mountain View and the Rengstorff family. The Rengstorff House is open Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Staffing is in three-hour shifts and training is provided.
- **Garden Docents**—Help maintain the gardens around the Rengstorff House or provide flower arrangements for the parlors. Work hours are flexible. All docents are supplied with an informational manual, training and supervision.
- **Rangers**—Gatehouse—Greet visitors, provide information, monitor park activities, assist and educate the public about Shoreline policies while wearing the Shoreline Ranger uniform. Opportunities are available seven-days-a-week with staffing in three-hour shifts.

- **Patrol Rangers**—Shoreline and Stevens Creek Trail Rangers assist trail users by providing information, educating the public about trails, trail policies and keeping the trails free of litter. Trails are open seven-days-a-week and hours are flexible.

For more information about any of these positions, call Hilary Holeman at (650) 903-6073.

Center for Performing Arts—Ushers—Volunteers are needed to assist patrons at scheduled performances. The next usher training will be held Monday, September 12 and Monday, September 19, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Center. No pre-registration required. Volunteers must attend both sessions. For more information, contact Jennifer Stokely at (650) 903-6568 or Jennifer@mvcpa.com.

Center for Performing Arts—Office Assistant—Help is needed in the Center office 10 hours a week. Skills required are word-processing, spreadsheet manipulation, data entry, filing and general office duties. Work hours are flexible but regular. For more information, contact Jennifer Stokely at (650) 903-6568 or Jennifer@mvcpa.com.

Library—Student Volunteers—Assist with sorting and shelving of books, videos, paperback books, CDs, cassettes, books on tape, and various other tasks. Minimum age is 13. For more information, call Maynard Martinez at (650) 526-7043 or email maynard.martinez@mountainview.gov.

Adopt-A-Park Program—Families, clubs, corporations, schools and neighborhoods can adopt one of the City’s 30 parks and hold quarterly clean ups or conduct special projects with the assistance of park staff. To find out more about this community program and how your group can get involved, call the Volunteer Services Office at (650) 903-6607 or email rae.blasquez@mountainview.gov.

Upcoming Opportunities

Holiday Tree Lighting—Special Event—Annual Holiday Tree Lighting at the Civic Center Plaza on Monday, December 5. Volunteers are needed to help with refreshments, Santa pictures, decorations and to work as crowd monitors. The event runs from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For more information, or to sign up, call (650) 903-6607.

These are just a few ways that you can get involved. If you have an idea, or special skill or talent to offer, or want to join our TEAM, please call the Volunteer Services Office today at (650) 903-6607.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



September

- 5 Labor Day holiday. City offices closed.
- 7 Environmental Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., CC
- 9 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in San Jose. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 10 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in San Jose. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 13 City Council, 6:30 p.m., CC
- 14 Visual Arts Committee, 6:00 p.m., ACR
Parks and Recreation Commission, 7:00 p.m., Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 15 Human Relations Commission, 6:30 p.m., PCR
- 17 Home Composting Workshop, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Mountain View Community Center, 201 South Rengstorff Avenue. Call (408) 918-4640 to register.
Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in Sunnyvale. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 19 Library Board, 7:30 p.m., Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 20 City Council, 6:30 p.m., CC
- 21 Environmental Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., CC
- 24 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in Santa Clara. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 28 Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee, 6:30 p.m., PCR

October

- 5 Environmental Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., CC
- 6 Human Relations Commission, 6:30 p.m., PCR
- 7 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in San Jose. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 8 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in San Jose. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 11 City Council, 6:30 p.m., CC
- 12 Visual Arts Committee, 6:00 p.m., ACR
Parks and Recreation Commission, 7:00 p.m., Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street

- 15 Home Composting Workshop, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Mountain View Community Center, 201 South Rengstorff Avenue. Call (408) 918-4640 to register.
Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in Sunnyvale. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 17 Library Board, 7:30 p.m., Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 19 Environmental Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., CC
- 25 City Council, 6:30 p.m., CC
- 26 Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee, 6:30 p.m., PCR
- 28 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in San Jose. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 29 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in San Jose. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.

November

- 2 Environmental Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., CC
- 3 Human Relations Commission, 6:30 p.m., PCR
- 4 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in San Jose. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 5 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in San Jose. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 8 City Council, 6:30 p.m., CC
- 9 Visual Arts Committee, 6:00 p.m., ACR
Parks and Recreation Commission, 7:00 p.m., Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 11 Veterans' Day holiday. City offices closed.
- 16 Environmental Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m., CC
- 19 Reading Day, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Mountain View Public Library, 585 Franklin Street
Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off in Sunnyvale. Call (408) 299-7300 for an appointment.
- 21 Library Board, 7:30 p.m., Library Community Room, 585 Franklin Street
- 24 Thanksgiving Day holiday. City offices closed.
- 25 Thanksgiving Day holiday. City offices closed.

CC - Council Chambers, City Hall
PCR - Plaza Conference Room, City Hall
ACR - Atrium Conference Room, City Hall
All dates are subject to change. Contact the City Clerk's Office at (650) 903-6304 to confirm dates and times.



To Contact City Councilmembers

Mountain View's Mayor and City Councilmembers are available to meet with residents.

Call the City Clerk's Office at (650) 903-6305 to schedule an appointment with the Mayor or a Councilmember.

City Department Telephone Directory

POLICE/FIRE EMERGENCIES	911
City Attorney's Office	903-6303
City Clerk's Office	903-6304
City Manager's Office	903-6301
Community Outreach Program	903-6145
Community Development Department	903-6306
Building Division	903-6313
Current/Advance Planning	903-6306
Economic Development	903-6306
Neighborhood Preservation	903-6379
Community Services Department	903-6331
Forestry and Roadway Landscape	903-6273
Parks and Open Space	903-6326
Center for the Performing Arts	903-6565
Recreation	903-6331
Shoreline	903-6392
Shoreline Golf Links	903-6178
Employee Services Department	903-6309
Finance and Administrative Services Department	903-6316
Administrative Services	903-6324
Finance	903-6316
Fire Department	903-6365
Library Services Department	903-6335
Police Department	903-6350
Public Works Department	903-6311
Public Services	903-6329

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